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SUBJECT: U.S. FISHERY OFF FRENCH GUIANA

REF: STATE 120614, EC BRUSSELS 5216

- 1 AS REQUESTED REF BDEPT. HAS OBTAINED SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION ON SHRIMP FISHING OFF BRAZIL AND THE GUIANAS. U.S. DEPT. OF COMMERCE STUDY ENTITLED THE UNITED STATES SHRIMP FISHERY OFF NORTHEASTERN SOUTH AMERICA 1972-1974" IS BEING POUCHED.
- 2. OF PARTICULAR INTEREST IS FOLLOWING DATA:

A. U.S. EXPERTS ESTIMATE TOTAL MAXIMUM SUSTAINABLE YIELD IN GUIANAS - BRAZIL SHRIMP FISHERY AS 27.1 OR 28.7 MILLION POUNDS (HEADS OFF WEIGHT) DEPENDING ON THE TECHNIQUE USED IN ESTIMATION.

- B. TOTAL U.S. CATCH IN GUIANAS BRAZIL SHRIMP FISHERY; 1974, 8,976,092 LBS.;1973,13,569,159 LBS, BOTH HEADS OFF WEIGHT.
- C. AVERAGE ANNUAL PER VESSEL SHRIMP CATCH (HEADS OFF) FOR ALL VESSELS IN GUIANAS BRAZIL FISHERY:

1974, 50,222 LBS., 1973, 61,673 LBS., 1972, 60, 530 LBS.; FOR VESSELS BASED IN FRENCH GUIANA: 1974, 52,581 LBS.; 1973, 80,029 LBS.; 1972, 75,853 LBS. (ALL HEADS OFF).

3. DEPT. FEELS SCIENTIFIC CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN US AND EC EXPERTS MIGHT BE USEFUL AT THIS TIME. THESE DISCUSSIONS WOULD BE USEFUL IN INDICATING WHAT, IF ANY, TEMPORARY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REGULATIONS FOR SHRIMPING OFF FRENCH GUIANA ARE NECESSARY FOR 1977, IN CONSERVATION TERMS. A CLEARER PICTURE OF ACTUAL CONDITIONS IN THE FISHERY WOULD ALSO BE USEFUL IN PROVIDING A BASIS FOR NEGOTIATIONS LATER ON.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: MISSION SHOULD PROPOSE SCIENTIFIC DISCUSSIONS WITH EC TECHNICAL EXPERTS TO TAKE PLACE WITHIN THE MONTH. MISSION ALSO REQUESTED TO USE DATA ABOVE AND POUCHED DATA TO TRY TO MOVE EC FROM 65 BOAT POSITION. AT SAME TIME, MISSION SHOULD BEGIN SOUNDING OUT EC ON TIME, PLACE AND FRAMEWORK FOR NEGOTIATIONS TOWARD A LONG-TERM AGREEMENT. FINALLY, DEPT. MAY NOT BE IN POSITION TO REQUEST INFO OF U.S. BOATOWNERS REQUIRED BY EC FOR LICENSES UNTIL NUMBER OF ALLOWABLE VESSELS HAS BEEN FINALLY SETTLED. WE WOULD LIKE TO BE READY TO DO THIS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THE MISSION, ACCORDINGLY, SHOULD ATTEMPT TO FIND OUT PRECISELY WHAT INFO IS REQUIRED FOR LICENSE. VANCE

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